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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application identified above.

- Applicant claims small entity status
- 21 total application pages including specification, claims (26 total and 3 independent), and abstract are enclosed.
- Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- 3 sheets of formal drawings (8.5 X 11 paper; Figs. 1-10) are enclosed.
- An Assignment of the invention to SURGICON, INC. was recorded on March 5, 2003 at Reel 013462, Frame 0080.
- An associate power of attorney  is enclosed  will follow.
- A certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_ Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with Form PTO-1449 and \*\*\* document(s) are enclosed.
- Amendment is enclosed.

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A	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	26	-20	6	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$9	\$ 54
B	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	3	-3	0	LG=\$86 SM=\$43	\$43	\$ 0
C	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						\$ 54
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